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SUBJECT: SOVIET AND GDR APPROACHES TO AUSTRIANS ON
BERLIN AIR SERVICE

REF: VIENNA 6446

1. WE WILL PROVIDE AUSTRIAN CONGEN SUCH FURTHER
CLARIFICATIONS OF ALLIED BERLIN AIR ACCESS RIGHTS AS
EMBASSY OR DEPARTMENT MAY CONSIDER TACTICALLY USEFUL
AT THIS JUNCTURE. IN MEANTIME IT MIGHT BE USEFUL TO
INQUIRE OF AUSTRIANS, IF OPPORTUNITY ARISES, WHETHER
REFERENCE TO A LLEGED 4-POWER AGREEMENT OF 1955 PRO-
VIDING FOR ONLY MILITARY FLIGHTS THROUGH CORRIDORS
TO WHICH SOVIET DEMARCHE IN VIENNA APPARENTLY MADE
REFERENCE IS A GARBLE. THE 1945 4-POWER AGREEMENT
PROVIDED FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AIR CORRIDORS "WHICH COULD
BE USED BY AIRCRAFT OF THE FOUR ALLIED NATIONS WITH
FULL FREEDOM OF ACTION" TO WHICH SOVIET MAKE UNILATERAL
INTERPRETATION REJECTED BY ALLIES THAT AGREEMENT WAS
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ONLY ON FLIGHTS TO MEET NEEDS OF OCCUPATION FORCES.

IF 1955 DATE CORRECT, SOVIETS MAY BE IMPLYING GDR COMPETENCE IN ALLIED AIR ACCESS BY RESURRECTING BOLZ-ZARIN LETTER OF 1955 IN WHICH SOVIETS SOUGHT TO CEDE FULL SOVEREIGNTY OVER AIR SPACE, INCLUDING THAT OF CORRIDORS, TO GDR AND THEN TAKE BACK, ON BASIS OF CONTRACTUAL ARRANGEMENT WITH GDR, PROVISIONAL CONTROL OF AIR CORRIDORS FOR PURPOSE OF PERMITTING "MOVEMENT OF MILITARY PERSONNEL AND FREIGHT OF THE GARRISONS OF THE THREE WESTERN POWERS IN WESTERN BERLIN-- ON THE BASIS OF THE EXISTING FOUR-POWER AGREEMENTS." KLEIN

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